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		Filing Date November 20, 2003
		First Named Inventor Jun SOMEYA
		Art Unit 2629
		Examiner Name X. Wu
		Attorney Docket Number 1190-0584P

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MS PETITION
Docket No.: 1190-0584P
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Jun SOMEYA et al.

Application No.: 10/716,634

Confirmation No.: 006332

Filed: November 20, 2003

Art Unit: N/A

For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND
APPARATUS, AND IMAGE DISPLAY
METHOD APPARATUS FOR CHANGING
EDGE SHARPNESS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT AND
OPTIONAL PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR
PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(B)**

MS Petition
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I. Petition To Withdraw Abandonment (Act On This First)

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed April 6, 2006, which issued in connection with the above-identified application, this is a Petition to withdraw the "abandonment status" of the present application. The Issue Fee was timely paid on August 2, 2005.

A. EVIDENCE

As evidence of the fact that a Reply was timely filed, enclosed herewith are the following:

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- a copy of the Issue Fee Transmittal dated August 2, 2005;
- a copy of the postcard receipt which was date-stamped on August 2, 2005; and
- printout from PAIR indicating that the Issue Fee payment was received on August 2, 2005.

B. Factual Background

A first Notice of Allowance including PTOL-85 was mailed May 3, 2005.

The Issue Fee was paid by the due date on August 2, 2005. Please see the attachment referenced above in the Evidence Section 1.

Thereafter, Examiner Xiao Wu initiated a telephonic interview on August 29, 2005 and obtained approval for an Examiner's Amendment because two claims, both numbered 31, were present in the amendment filed December 16, 2005.

Thereafter, the Examiner mailed both a Supplemental Notice of Allowability and a Corrected Notice of Allowance including a second PTOL-85. These documents were mailed September 1, 2005.

Subsequently, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed April 6, 2006.

C. Reasons Why Abandonment Should Never Have Occurred

First of all, the mailing of the second PTOL-85 (Corrected Notice of Allowance and Fees Due) was issued in error. The correction to the claim discussed above in item 2.A. merely required a Supplemental Notice of Allowability. The generation of the Corrected Notice of Allowance in addition thereto was unnecessary, and, based on Applicants' belief, inconsistent with typical USPTO practice.

The Corrected Notice of Allowance was spurious and not consistent with standard USPTO policy for the following reasons. First of all, a Corrected Notice of Allowance and Fees Due (PTOL-85) is proper when there is an increase in the Issue Fee between the time of the first issuance of the Notice of Allowance and the payment of the Issue Fee. This is not the case here. The second case in which a second Notice of Allowance is appropriate is a case such as an IDS filing after the Issue Fee is paid wherein the application is withdrawn from issue so that the IDS may be considered in an RCE. In such a case, the Issue Fees have already been paid in the parent application such that a Notice of Allowance with \$0.00 fees due is expected and appropriate.

The present case fits neither of these situations. It is Applicants belief that the Corrected Notice of Allowance and Fees Due with second PTOL-85 should never have been issued since it is not appropriate and against standard Office Procedure. Indeed, the Issue Fee had already been paid. Why would the PTO issue a second PTOL-85 (Corrected Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due) when the Issue Fee has already been paid and all other procedural matters have been resolved as in this case?

As stated above, no fees were actually due and the sending of this form appears to be outside standard USPTO procedures. The Issue Fee was paid by the due date. All requirements were complied with except for the filing of a spurious form that should never have been sent to begin with. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment.

It is submitted that no fees are required for filing this Petition, since the error occurred because of a mistake on the part of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

D. TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

The present application was filed on or after May 29, 2000. Accordingly, no Terminal Disclaimer is necessary. It is noted that the present Petition is being timely filed within two (2) months of the mailing date of the Notice of Abandonment. Accordingly, no reduction in patent term adjustment should be made, in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(c)(4).

II. Optional Petition to Revive

Solely in the interest of time and without admitting the propriety or correctness of the abandonment, Applicants are also concurrently filing herewith a Petition to Revive an application abandoned unintentionally under 37 CFR 1.137(b). Again, this Petition to Revive should not be considered an admission that the abandonment was valid. Nevertheless, petitions take an unacceptably long period of time to decide. Applicants' patent rights are being suspended until such time as the petition can be decided. Thus, as a protective measure, Applicants are additionally filing the Petition to Revive concurrently herewith. It is to be understood that this Petition to Revive should only be considered if and only if the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment has been fully considered and rejected by the Petitions Branch. Only in that case are Applicants desiring consideration of the Petition to Revive.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

A. Petition fee

Other than small entity – fee \$1,500.00 By Deposit Account 02-2448 (charge only authorized if Petition to Withdraw is rejected) (37 CFR 1.17(m))

B. Reply and/or fee

The Issue Fee was paid on August 2, 2005

C. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

D. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

[NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D))].

It is requested that the abandonment status of the present application be immediately removed so the patent will grant on this allowed application.

III. Conclusion

If the U.S. Patent Examiner has any questions regarding the above matters, please contact Applicants' representative, Michael R. Cammarata, at the phone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: April 25, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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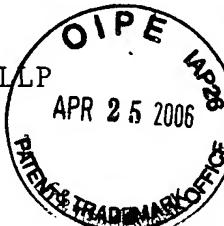
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(Signature)

(Date)

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/716,634	11/20/2003	Jun Someya	1190-0584P	6332

TITLE OF INVENTION: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND IMAGE DISPLAY METHOD AND APPARATUS, WITH VARIABLE INTERPOLATION SPACING

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO	\$1400	\$300	\$1700	08/03/2005
EXAMINER	ART UNIT		CLASS-SUBCLASS		
WU, XIAO MIN	2674		345-698000		

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(B) RESIDENCE: (CITY and STATE OR COUNTRY)

MITSUBISHI DENKI KABUSHIKI KAISHA

TOKYO, JAPAN

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5. Change in Entity Status (from status indicated above)

a. Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27. b. Applicant is no longer claiming SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2).

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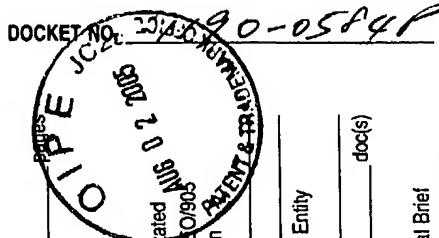
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03-21-2006	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
01-16-2006	Receipt into Pubs
11-29-2005	Workflow - Query Request - Finish
09-01-2005	Mail Corrected Notice of Allowance
09-01-2005	Mail Examiner's Amendment
09-01-2005	Corrected Notice of Allowance
09-01-2005	Examiner's Amendment Communication
08-29-2005	Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL - 413)

08-09-2005	Workflow - Query Request - Begin
08-02-2005	Issue Fee Payment Received
06-03-2005	Workflow - File Sent to Contractor
05-03-2005	Mail Notice of Allowance
05-03-2005	Mail Examiner's Amendment
04-29-2005	Notice of Allowance Data Verification Completed
04-29-2005	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
04-29-2005	Examiner's Amendment Communication
03-30-2005	Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL - 413)
03-30-2005	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed
12-16-2004	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed
03-24-2005	Date Forwarded to Examiner
12-16-2004	Response after Non-Final Action
12-16-2004	Workflow incoming amendment IFW
10-27-2004	Mail Examiner Interview Summary (PTOL - 413)
10-25-2004	Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL - 413)
09-17-2004	Mail Non-Final Rejection
09-17-2004	Non-Final Rejection
06-02-2004	IFW TSS Processing by Tech Center Complete
06-02-2004	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
05-29-2004	Claims PTO
11-20-2003	Reference capture on IDS
11-20-2003	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed
04-08-2004	Application Return from OIPE
04-08-2004	Application Is Now Complete
03-30-2004	Additional Application Filing Fees
03-30-2004	Applicant has submitted new drawings to correct Corrected Papers problems
03-08-2004	Corrected Paper
01-07-2004	Pre-Exam Office Action Withdrawn
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